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VI. And be it enacted, That the president and directors be and they are hereby authorised to appoint three commissioners, neither of whom shall be directly or indirectly interested in any of the lands through which the said roads may or pointed, &c. shall pass, and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall lay out and make a public road from Rister's-town towards Hanover-town to the line of Baltimore county, on as streight a line as the nature of the country and public convenience will admit; and the faid commissioners, or a majority of them, shall, in like manner, lay out and mark a public road from Rister's-town aforefaid to the town of Westminster, from Westminster to Taney-town, from Taneytown to Emmitsburgh, from Emmitsburgh to the Pennsylvania line; provided, that the faid roads, or either of them, shall not be carried through any buildings, garden or yard, without the confent of the owner and possessor thereof; and provided also, that the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall locate the road from the line of Baltimore county, through Westminster-town, Taneytown, Emmitsburgh, to the Pennsylvania line, in the manner the same has been heretofore located, cleared and confirmed, by the justices of Frederick county court, unless they, or a majority of them, shall in their judgment and opinion think it necessary to streighten and amend the same; and the president and directors shall pay and satisfy, out of the monies of the said company, all reasonable costs and charges incurred by the said commissioners in laying out and marking the aforesaid roads.

Who shall take an oath, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners, before they proceed to the execution of the powers vested in them by this act, shall take the following oath, or affirmation: "I, A. B. appointed a commissioner to lay out and mark " a public road from Rister's-town, by virtue of an act, entitled, An act to in-" corporate a company for making several turnpike roads through Baltimore and "Frederick counties, until they intersect the divisional line between Maryland "and Pennsylvania, do swear, or affirm, that I will lay out and mark the same " according to the best of my skill and judgment, and according to the directions " of the faid act; and I do further swear, or affirm, that I am not interested in " any lands through which the faid roads are likely to pafs."

And return the courses, &c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid, after they shall have laid out and marked the faid roads, are hereby directed to return the courses, bounds and plots thereof, to the clerk of Baltimore county court, and a duplicate thereof to the clerk of Frederick county court, to be by them recorded at the expence of the faid body corporate; and that the faid roads, fo laid out and returned as aforesaid, shall be for ever thereafter taken, held and adjudged, public roads and common highways. To be the said

Prefident, &c. with persons,

IX. And be it enacted, That the said president and directors, and their succeffors, or a majority of them, affembled, shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to agree with and employ any person or persons, on behalf of the faid company, to grub, clear, stone and make said roads fixty-fix feet in breadth, in the manner hereafter directed, and to do all other things for the completion of faid roads in the manner required by this act; and that the prefident and directors may establish rules and regulations for conducting the business of the corporation, and appoint the various officers and labourers, and pay all expences, which they may find necessary.

Sums fub-fcribed to be aid to the directors, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That the sums so subscribed before the said directors shall be appointed as aforesaid, shall be paid to the directors as follows, to wit: One fourth thereof at the end of one month after the election of the directors, one fourth at the end of one year after the election of the directors, one fourth at the end of eighteen months after the election of the directors, and the refidue at the end of two years after the election of the directors; and that all subscriptions which shall be so made, after the election of such directors, shall be paid in fuch manner, and in fuch proportions, as the faid directors shall from time to time order and direct; provided nevertheless, that the directors for the time being may, in their difcretion, suspend, or totally release, the payments of any part,